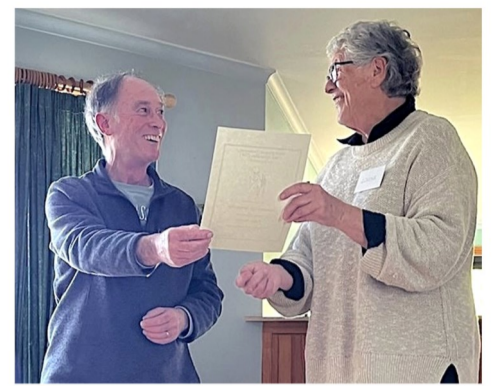


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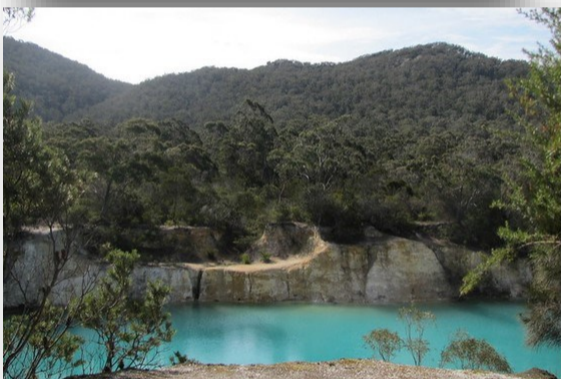
Lou Brooker has been a member of Bridport Innovations for many years and a regular contributor to meetings, events, projects and a valued volunteer at the Pavilion Visitor Information Centre.



We congratulate her on being awarded Honorary Life Membership of the North-Eastern Tasmanian Field Naturalists Club - celebrating her passion and commitment over 30 years, active in various roles as Club Secretary, newsletter editor and outings organiser. " She has an extensive network of contacts with a formidable source of information across the spectrum of field naturalists areas of interest". Courtesy of Ross Coad.



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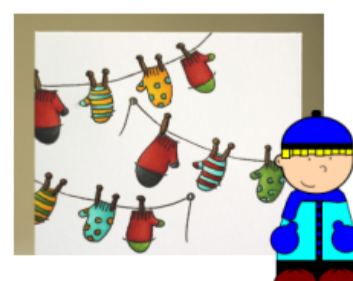
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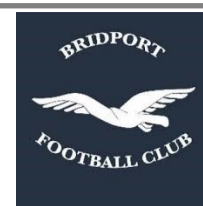


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### Bridport Football Club



The Bridport Seagulls amazingly won the first two Finals games! They head into the preliminary final with a spot in the Grand Final up for grabs against Old Scotch this Saturday at Evandale August 31st.

In the Elimination Final the Seagulls kicked 8 goals in the last quarter to win over Old Launcestonians by 21 points and advance to the Semi Final against Perth. In a front of a large crowd Bridport outplayed Perth to win by 37 points at Invermay Park.

The North East Community turned out in droves to support the Seagulls ,the NTFA rewarded Bridport a home Final which packed the seaside ground.



Coach Andrew Philpott celebrates the first final win

## BRIDPORT FOOTBALL CLUB

# Vote Count & Dinner

### Friday 20th September 2024

6:00 for 6:30pm start

Food by the Shoarma Dealer food truck included along with a free drink on arrival.

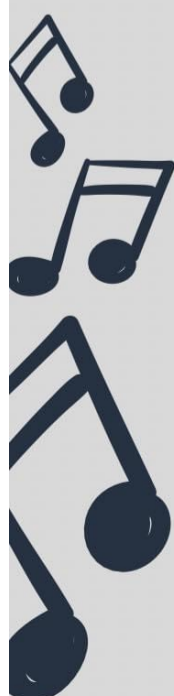
\$30.00 per person

Music by Clinton Hutton to follow presentations

Dress Code: Smart Casual

RSVP by Monday 9th September 2024:

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**Lions Club of Bridport Inc.****Charity Golf Day & Raffle**

The Lions Club of Bridport will be once again holding their Annual Charity Golf Day at Barnbogle Dunes on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September.

Our raffle and Charity Golf Day will raise money for local charities and Lions Club Community Projects such as the installation of a half basketball court (2023) located on the foreshore. In 2023/24 our Bridport Lions Club supported the following community organisations:

• Eb's Ride for RAW (Rural Alive and Well)	• Samaritans Purse – Christmas Shoe Boxes
• Need for Feed – NE Community	• Parkinson's Research
• Neuroendocrine Cancer Research	• Childhood Cancer Research
• Cystic Fibrosis Tasmania	• Bridport Men's Shed

The Lions Club of Bridport will be selling raffle tickets in the lead up to this event with some great prizes on offer, first prize is a return flight for two to Flinders Island that was kindly donated by Flinders Island Aviation – we have 30 prizes which have been very generously donated by local Businesses in our NE Community. Keep an eye out for our members and grab your raffle tickets for \$5.00 each. The raffle will be drawn at our Charity Golf Day on 19<sup>th</sup> September, and the winners will be advised.

We would like to thank the following people and businesses for their 2024 sponsorship and raffle donations in support of our Charity Golf Day:

Flinders Island Aviation	Country Club Casino
Scottsdale Veterinary Services	Nic Betts Golfing Lounge Bridport
David Vautin Family Trust	Hon. Michael Ferguson MP
Hon. Tania Rattray MLC	Waterhouse Real Estate - Bridport
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Clovelly Dairy Bridport	North-East Glass & Screens Scottsdale
Bass Straight Freight – Agripartners Bridport	Hon. Simon Wood MP
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Malbren Honey	

For more information on our Lions Club of Bridport Charity Golf Day, please contact the following Lions Club Members:  
Many thanks for your ongoing support of Lions Club of Bridport.  
Leonie Johnston

Jan Foster	President	0417 518 811
Melissa Coote	Assistant Secretary	0455 288 380
Maria Saunders	Treasurer	0437 995 128
Leonie Johnston	Secretary	0438 281 352

### Dorset Coastal Working Group by Lou Brooker

The Dorset Coastal Working Group recently held a meeting to share reports of environmental work taking place on the coast, and to set tasks for the future.

A report was tabled from the Parks Ranger in charge of the Field Centre Scottsdale noting major works in the Mermaids Pool area with delineated parking, dead tree removal and updated signage. Visitors to the area may have noted extensive vegetation management works in progress.

Council is about to renew its caravan park policy and public representations will be invited. Council is also negotiating with Crown Lands for a new lease and license for the Bridport Foreshore from the Old Pier to Trent Water.

The death of some of the young trees that were regenerating after the foreshore clearing of 2019, was noted. The regeneration had been quite positive until the dry conditions of summer and autumn. It was also noted that a number of mature trees, particularly She-oaks, have either died or blown over and that replacement plantings are urgently needed.

Weeds are a constant concern and a member of the group pointed out an infestation of the Euryops daisy which began as dumped garden rubbish near Richard Street in the Wildflower Reserve and has spread and is about to go to seed and spread further. This issue was noted for action. A plea was made by the group not to dump garden waste in the reserve. The daisy is only one of a number of weeds that have become invasive because of the dumping of garden waste.

Dorset Council is about to release its latest Weed Strategy and it will be presented at the next DCWG meeting.

Other topics discussed were cat management, protection of the Giant Freshwater Crayfish and sea spurge control.

#### Euryops Daisy

- getting a hold in the Wildflower Reserve



### Bridport Golf Club



For the third year Bridport Golf Club held a 3 Ball Ambrose event in conjunction with the Scallop Fiesta.

There was a field of 48 players vying for the scallop prizes, very generously donated by Allan Barnett Fishing Company/Superfresh Seafoods.

Winners: Brodie Baker, Dylan Baker, Shane Baker with the team nett score of 59.5.



### Wattle Day by Mike Douglas

Wattle Day, September 1st, was once celebrated with street parades across the nation including at Scottsdale. Times have changed and this quintessentially Australian event has slipped from public recognition. Nevertheless, the symbolism of the wattle lives on.

On July 1st our new governor-general, Sam Mostyn, spoke to the assembled senators and members of the lower house. Seated in the chair of the Presiding Officer of the Senate, the new governor-general wore a sprig of wattle blossom as did her aides.

The vice-regal display of the green and gold was a significant statement although, strange to say, it received no comment in the media.

One of the several wattles seen in the bush around Bridport is the shrubby sunshine wattle, *Acacia terminalis*, an early-flowerer, March to June. You can see one of these growing alongside the Pavilion.



# Bridport Netball Club



## Grand Final Winners



B Grade Blue took out the premiership defeating Swifts Red 37-32!



Congratulations to the girls on an impressive win in the wet conditions



A Grade battled out for the full four quarters going down by 1 goal in the final minutes.

## Award Winners

- Under 12s White – Coaches Award** – Luka Murfett
- Under 12s Blue – Coaches Award** – Zoe Livingston
- Under 16s – Best and Fairest** – Grace Cuthbertson **Runner Up Best and Fairest** – Lottie Wadley **Coaches Award** – Nevaeh Fearnley
- C Grade – Best and Fairest** – Cara Howlett **Runner Up Best and Fairest** – Deanne Moore **Coaches Award** – Courtney Hockaday
- B Grade White – Best and Fairest** - Zoe Stingel **Runner Up Best and Fairest** – Georgie Dare **Coaches Award** – Asha Milne
- B Grade Blue – Best and Fairest** – Courtney Irwin, **Runner Up Best and Fairest** – Hollie Singline **Coaches Award** – Courtney Irwin
- A Grade – Best and Fairest** – Emma Broadhurst **Runner Up Best and Fairest** – Sophie Broadhurst **Coaches Award** Courtney Wilson
- Junior Umpire Award** – Lottie Wadley
- Family Award** – Samaniego Family
- Club Person of the Year** – Danica Beeson
- 100 Games** – Grace Chugg
- 150 Games** – Cara Howlett

**Congratulations also goes to our girls who finished in the top vote getters for NENA.**

Under 12s – Tegan Hall

Under 16s – Grace Cuthbertson

C Grade – Cara Howlett and Ebony Brown

B Grade – Runner up Best and Fairest Zoe Stingel, Courtney Irwin

A Grade – Best and Fairest winner Emma Broadhurst, Sophie Broadhurst

Lottie Wadley also received recognition for her efforts with umpiring and Jessica Burke for her volunteer work throughout the season.

## U3A Bridport Seniors Group

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September 4	10 am	Tea/Coffee/Chat	September 18	10 am	Tea/Coffee/Chat
	10.30	Chair exercises with Dee		10.30	Chair exercises with Dee
	11	Bingo		11.00	Movie
	12.30	Lunch at The Cafe		12.30	Lunch followed by card/board games
September 11	10 am	Tea/Coffee/Chat	September 25	10 am	Tea/Coffee/Chat
	10.30	Chair exercises with Dee		10.30	Chair exercises with Dee
	11-12.30	Discussion on activities		11.00	Bring-learn a new board/card game
	12.30	Lunch followed by card/board games		12.30	Lunch followed by card/board games

**What is Allergic Rhinitis?**

Allergic rhinitis (hay fever) is one of the most common allergic conditions, affecting one in five people in Australia.



Despite its common name, it is not caused by hay and does not result in fever. Allergic rhinitis is caused by the nose and/or eyes coming into contact with allergens in the environment such as pollens (grasses, weeds or trees), dust mites, moulds and animal dander (flakes of skin in animal fur, hair or feathers). The body's immune system reacts to these common allergens – which for most people are harmless – and causes symptoms.



Common symptoms include runny nose, itchy nose, sneezing, itchy and watery eyes, blocked nose and snoring. Some people need to clear their throat often because mucus can run from their sinuses to the back of the throat. Poorly treated or untreated allergic rhinitis can lead to trouble sleeping, daytime tiredness, headaches, poor concentration, frequent ear or sinus infections, and even asthma which can be more difficult to control.

Hay fever cannot be cured, but there are a number of ways you can improve the symptoms and give your child some relief. The best way to reduce the frequency of hay fever is to identify what causes the allergic reaction and then try to avoid contact with it, or at least minimise contact. Sometimes the cause is obvious, such as a pet. If you are having trouble working out the cause of your hay fever, see your GP. The doctor will ask questions and may suggest allergy tests (such as a skin prick test or an allergy blood test) to identify the cause.

Your doctor may suggest using medication to help relieve your symptoms, such as non-drowsy antihistamines, steroid nasal sprays, saline rinses.

Immunotherapy may be a suitable treatment option if you have severe hay fever. Immunotherapy is a long-term treatment that involves exposing the patient to small amounts of the allergen (the substance they are allergic to). This allows you to gradually build up their tolerance to the allergen, which will ultimately reduce their symptoms long-term. Talk to your doctor about immunotherapy if you have severe symptoms and other medications are not helping.

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**The Lions Club of Bridport  
30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Charter  
Celebrations**

*You are cordially invited to the  
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Bridport Lions Club*

*to be held at the Bridport Golf Club  
on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October, 6.00pm*

*\$35 per head for 2 course meal  
RSVP by 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2024*

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**Lions Club of Bridport –  
30<sup>th</sup> Year Charter Celebration**



Lions Club of Bridport are celebrating their 30<sup>th</sup> Year Charter with an Anniversary Dinner to be held at Bridport Golf Club on Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> October commencing at 6.00 p.m.

We have invited all past members (from the last 30 years) of our Lions Club – to celebrate the amazing work our Club has achieved working to support our North-East Community.

We warmly welcome any members of our North-East Community to attend our Dinner – details included on the attached invitation.

Many thanks  
Leonie Johnston  
Secretary  
Mobile 0438 281352



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## Bridport Road Construction by Dorset Tasmania History Society

Our roads form the very basis of communication, be it public, commercial or personal. As early as the 1830s, our early pioneers cut tracks with foot, horse or bullock traffic, to travel between their selections and civilisation. They were not surveyed, but simply took the most efficient route between start and finish. Some of these tracks were made into roads, but with the opening of Scott's New Country, and the growing Port of Bridport, many of them were properly surveyed and constructed utilising contemporary techniques.

So, how did we migrate from basic tracks through the bush to properly surveyed and constructed roads? Justification was raised by new land selectees, who petitioned the government in Hobart for funds to construct roads. Indeed, a number of cases were brought to public attention in the 1860s, as the Port of Bridport grew in stature, where there was disagreement over who should pay for these roads, particularly from selectees as distant as Ringarooma and Cape Portland. A number of letters to editors of various newspapers raised concerns that Bridport rate payers should not be financially responsible for the construction of roads more than a few miles from town, yet those who stood to benefit most equally complained that they should not be responsible for public works such as roads and bridges. The conundrum filtered its way to the Tasmanian Parliament, with many appropriation bills and tabled papers on surveys conducted, all raised to address the issue as early as 1862, with a report to the Governor of Tasmania by the Government Geologist, Mr Charles Gould.

Discussion in Parliament articulated the need for roads in Dorset County as it would be essential to promote the occupation of large areas of valuable land, which at present was inaccessible to traffic. Parliament was advised that the formation of roads and other works would render these lands available for the settlement of an agricultural and industrious population, which would benefit the Colony of Tasmania considerably through exports and the consumption of dutiable goods.

As a result, Mr Gould's report, and a road survey conducted by Mr Hall, who surveyed options from Launceston to Bridport and Ringarooma to Bridport, generated interest in parliament. The report informed Parliamentary Paper 33 (1864), which sought appropriation of funds for public works between Launceston and Ringarooma – 39 ½ miles (£11,040) and a further three roads from Bridport to join the Ringarooma Road – totalling about 35 miles (£8,884). This appropriation bill was approved and work was contracted. Alas, this was not the end of the matter. Over the next 10-15 years, many letters to various editors complained that despite taking up selections of land, roads were yet to be constructed and by 1878, the government had allegedly redirected about half of the funds, leaving many roads incomplete.

An interesting observation is that many of these letters to editors back in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century also raised concerns about the quality of the roads, the lack of maintenance and that their dreadful state caused damage to their carts. A further interesting observation was a letter to the editor of a local newspaper raised the very same concerns in 1952. We still see these concerns raised in both mainstream and social media today about the size and quantity of potholes in our roads.

**Photo:** Typical quality of a Northeast Tasmanian road near Branxholm in Winter 1889



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